

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

File Number: NRS 15.357

Pursuant to Chapter 0400-4-7 of the Department's rules, the proposed activity described below has been submitted for approval under an Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit and §401 Water Quality Certification. This notice is intended to inform interested parties of this permit application and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. No decision has been made whether to issue or deny this application.

**APPLICANT:** Bob Wenner

**Wolf River Conservancy** 

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**LOCATION:** The project is located along the Wolf River from its mouth to the City of Memphis Wolf River Wolf River Greenway trail at the intersection of Walnut Grove Road and Humphreys Boulevard. Shelby County; Latitude 35.1972/35.1936; Longitude 89.9366/89.9149.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The project proposes to construct a greenway trail along the Wolf River. Phase 11- Kennedy Park consists of 6 bridges and 2 culverts over wet-weather conveyances. The culverts are reinforced concrete pipes (RCP). Phase 9- Epping Way will require permanent impacts to 0.37 acres of wetland, temporary impacts to 0.24 acres and one RCP culvert. The permanent wetland impact area is dominated by green ash and American elm. Compensatory wetland mitigation shall occur with the purchase/debit of credits from the Mt. Tena Wolf River Wetland Mitigation Bank at a minimum 2:1 ratio. Wetland public educational materials will be provided along the greenway. Temporary impacts will be restored to preexisting grade, planted with native non-invasive grasses and then native wetland tree seedlings

**DEGRADATION:** In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 0400-40-03-.06), the division has determined that the proposed activities will not result in degradation to water quality.

**WATERSHED / WATERBODY DESCRIPTION:** The proposed project lies within the HUC 08010210 Wolf River watershed. More information can be found at https://tn.gov/environment/article/wr-ws- wolf-river- watershed .

Ecoregion: 74b – Mississippi Valley Loess Plains- Bluff Hills

**Stream Name / ID:** TN08010210001 \_1000

## **Designated Use Support**

Livestock Watering and Wildlife -supporting Irrigation- supporting
Fish and Aquatic Life- supporting
Industrial Water Supply- supporting
Domestic Water Supply -supporting
Recreation- supporting
Navigation-supporting

## **PERMIT COORDINATOR:** Mike Lee

**FACTORS CONSIDERED:** In deciding whether to issue or deny a permit, the department will consider all comments of record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws. In making this decision, a determination will be made regarding the lost value of the resource compared to the value of any proposed mitigation. The department shall consider practicable alternatives to the alteration. The department shall also consider loss of waters or habitat, diminishment in biological diversity, cumulative or secondary impacts to the water resource, and adverse impact to unique, high quality, or impaired waters.

**COMMENTING:** Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the department. Written comments must be received within **thirty days of the date that this notice is posted**. Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced. Send all written comments to the department's address listed below and to the attention of the permit coordinator.

**PUBLIC HEARING**: Interested persons may request in writing that the department hold a public hearing on this application. The request must be filed within the comment period, indicate the interest of the person requesting it, the reasons that the hearing is warranted, and the water quality issues being raised. When there is sufficient public interest in water quality issues, the department will hold a public hearing. Send all public hearing request to the department's address listed below and to the attention of the permit coordinator.

**APPEAL:** A permit appeal may be filed, pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 69-3-105(i) and Rule 0400-40-05, by the permit applicant or by any aggrieved person who participated in the public comment period announced by this notice. This petition must be filed within THIRTY (30) DAYS after public notice of the issuance of the permit. The petition must specify what provisions are being appealed and the basis for the appeal. It should be addressed to the technical secretary of the Tennessee Board of Water Quality, Oil and Gas at the following address: Tisha Calabrese Benton, Director, Division of Water Resources, William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave, 11<sup>th</sup> floor, Nashville, TN 37243. Any hearing would be in accordance with T.C.A. §§69-3-110 and 4-5-301 et seq.

**FILE REVIEW:** The permit application, supporting documentation including detailed plans and maps, and related comments are available at the department's address (listed below) for review and/or copying.

Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation Division of Water Resources, Natural Resources Unit William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 11th Floor Nashville, Tennessee 37243













